

(1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE STUDENTS AT EACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE SHALL PAY, THROUGH TUITION AND FEES, AT LEAST 22 PERCENT OF CURRENT EXPENSES.

(2) THE STUDENTS SHALL PAY, THROUGH TUITION AND FEES, 17 PERCENT OF CURRENT EXPENSES AT:

(I) ANY COMMUNITY COLLEGE WITH LESS THAN 500 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STUDENTS IF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE IS LOCATED HAS A POPULATION OF LESS THAN 50,000; AND

(II) ANY REGIONAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE IF THE COUNTIES THAT SUPPORT THE REGIONAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE HAVE A COMBINED POPULATION OF LESS THAN 100,000.

(3) THE STUDENTS, THROUGH TUITION AND FEES, SHALL PAY 13 PERCENT OF CURRENT EXPENSES AT GARRETT COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND CHESAPEAKE COLLEGE.

(4) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT A COUNTY OR REGIONAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES FROM REQUIRING STUDENTS AT THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO PAY MORE THAN THEIR SHARE OF THE CURRENT EXPENSES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language which combines without substantive change Art. 77A, §7(a), the first three sentences of (b), and the first sentence of (d), and Art. 77A, §§ 7(f) (2) and 7B.

In subsection (d) (3) of this section, the present authorization for counties to pay more than 28 percent of current expenses is broadened slightly, as to Garrett County only, by deleting the reference to 28 percent. This change permits, but in no way requires, Garrett County to pay more than its "share" (which is 32 percent). This conforms with the present authority of all counties, including Garrett, over the student share.

16-404. COMPUTATION OF STATE AID TO COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

(A) IN GENERAL.

THE ANNUAL TOTAL STATE APPROPRIATION FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF ALL COMMUNITY COLLEGES SHALL BE DEVELOPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

(B) ESTIMATE OF ENROLLMENT.

(1) EACH YEAR THE STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES SHALL PREPARE A SYSTEMWIDE PROJECTION OF TOTAL FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT AT THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES IN THIS STATE.